hand to the neglected, the downtrodden, the silenced, and the dreamers in El Salvador, just as he has in Painesville. He will offer an uplifting message centered on the love of God, and the need to be kind to one's fellow man. On behalf of the 19th Congressional District, I thank Father Antall for his many acts of kindness and for the indelible mark he left on his community and his congregation. I wish him well in his new life, and hope that he will always save a space in his heart for Lake Coun-

RICHARD MELLON SCAIFE FUNDS CLINTON **CRITIC** LARRY KLAYMAN'S JUDICIAL WATCH ORGANIZATION

## HON. JOHN CONYERS, JR.

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 10, 1998

Mr. CONYERS. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to enter into the RECORD the following new story from The Washington

[From the Washington Post, June 10, 1998] SCAIFE FOUNDATION GAVE \$550,000 TO ANTI-CLINTON LEGAL GROUP

(By David Segal)

Richard Mellon Scaife, the Pittsburgh billionaire whose foundations have bankrolled an array of anti-Clinton activities, gave one of his largest grants last year to Judicial Watch, the conservative group suing the Clinton administration in 18 separate matters, newly released records show.

Scaife gave Judicial Watch \$550,000, according to documents disclosed by the Carthage Foundation, one of four philanthropies underwritten by Scaife. That sum is nearly nine times as large as the \$60,000 in outside contributions Judicial Watch said it received in 1996.

'It's a minority of our support and we're very proud to receive it," Judicial Watch founder and president Larry Klayman said yesterday before refusing further comment. In a recent interview, Klayman would not confirm the Scaife grant and deflected financing questions by saying, that means 'stop it' in Italian." "Basta! . . .

Scaife's foundations last year gave away a total of \$25 million to conservative groups as well as academic institutions such as Boston University and Carnegie Mellon University. The scion of the Mellon banking family, Scaife has become a major financial resource for those eager to probe Clinton administration controversies, from the Monica S. Lewinsky case to the death of White House deputy counsel Vincent W. Foster.

Îndependent counsel Kenneth W. Starr had once planned to accept a Scaife foundationfinanced deanship at Pepperdine University, leading Clinton allies to criticize the prosecutor's conservative movement ties.

The recipient of the largest single Scaife grant last year-for \$1.5 million-was the Free Congress Research and Education Foundation Inc., a think tank run by conservative activist Paul Weyrich. Free Congress is part owner of America's Voice, a TV network formerly known as national Empowerment Television.

The American Spectator magazine took in nearly \$1 million last year from two Scaife foundations-Carthage and the Sarah Scaife Foundation. Part of that money paid for the so-called "Arkansas Project," an investigation of alleged Clinton skulduggery in his home state. The project was criticized by several Spectator staffers and has given rise to an investigation into whether some Scaife money improperly went to pay a key Starr witness.

But the financial relationship between the magazine and Scaife's foundations is over. "Let's just say that the Spectator had Scaife foundation money in the past [but] they decided to quit contributing this year," publisher Terry Eastland.

The Landmark Legal Foundation, a Herndon group that has pounded Pentagon officials for allegedly leaking data from Linda R. Tripp's personnel file, took in \$525,000 from Scaife. "We have a hard and fast rule here," said Landmark president Mark Levin. "We don't accept money laundered through Indian tribes or Buddhist nuns.'

The award to Judicial Watch is in some ways the most notable of the Scaife grants, representing a huge financial boon for a group that barely registered on Washington's radar screen until recently. In 1996, the group's largest benefactor was Klayman himself, a formerly obscure international trade attorney; he kicked in about \$110,000 of his own money and took in just \$60,000 in outside contributions.

Scaife foundation officials did not return calls about why they decided to start giving to Judicial Watch.

Klayman first gained notice when he took a deposition from Democratic fund-raiser John Huang in 1996, just as the controversy about Democratic campaign financing was breaking. By last year, Klayman was becoming a regular on TV chat shows such as "Rivera Live" as he subpoenaed a parade of Clinton allies for depositions in various lawsuits. Klayman has turned up such disclosures as a pentagon official's admission that he authorized the Tripp information leak. But Judicial Watch's advertising also has featured far-fetched theories, including that the late Commerce Secretary Ron Brown might have been shot in the head by top White House officials.

Klayman is deposing witnesses for three lawsuits against the Commerce Department and one against the Justice Department, among others, and he represents Republicans whose FBI files were obtained by White House officials

THE MEDICARE HOME HEALTH EQUITY ACT OF 1998

## HON. MICHAEL PAPPAS

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, June 10, 1998

Mr. PAPPAS. Mr. Speaker. I come here today to speak about a bill I have introduced to restore equity to the home health care industry. Congressmen Coyne, Saxton, Smith of New Jersey and I have introduced H.R. 3567, "The Medicare Home Health Equity Act of 1998" to address what we feel are major problems with the implementation of HCFA of the Balanced Budget Act of 1997.

Last year's Balanced Budget Agreement brought much needed common sense to government spending. As part of the Balanced Budget, changes were made to make payment for home health care more efficient. A Prospective Payment Schedule for home health services was created but is not ready yet. HCFA has created the IPS as a transitional approach. However, the IPS is a "one size fits all" plan that continues the practice of rewarding inefficient home health services and pun-

ishing efficiency. Agencies which had already implemented efficiency measures to save Medicare money have been penalized for this thrift, while those that have not are rewarded. I do not believe this was the intent of Congress.

H.R. 3567 will level the playing field by basing the per patient cost limit of the IPS on a blend of national and regional data rather than on individual agency data. It already has 69 bi-partisan co-sponsors and has the support of numerous home health care organizations. Congress must act now to avoid further pain to the home health care communities. Moreover, according to Price Warehouse, H.R. 3567 is budget neutral and I hope the CBO will finish a scoring of this bill shortly.

I hope my colleagues will seriously consider this bill and join me in the effort to restore equity to home health care agencies.

HONORING SOL AND JUNE ZIM

## HON. GARY L. ACKERMAN

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, June 10, 1998

Mr. ACKERMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to join with my constituents and members of the Hollis Hills Jewish Center as they celebrate the 50th anniversary of this great house of worship, and honor their most distinguished and world-renowned Cantor, Sol Zim and his wife June, for 35 years of distinguished serv-

ice to the synagogue.

In 1964, Sol and June Zim began a relationship with the Hollis Hills Jewish Center that would not only enhance the spiritual and secular lives of the synagogue's members, but would allow Cantor Zim to perform around the world to share the joy and fulfillment that epitomize his music. As the sixth generation of a family of exceptionally talented cantors, Sol Zim has studied with such outstanding cantorial instructors as Joshua Weisser, Moshe Koussevitzky, Sholom Secunda and Oscar Julius. He has received degrees from the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Brooklyn College and New York University. His extraordinary voice brought him offers for positions in such distinguished opera companies as the Vienna State Opera Theater and the Israeli National Opera. Yet it was to our great benefit that Sol Zim chose to pursue his musical career as a cantor.

Mr. Speaker, in addition to his unforgettable voice, Sol Zim is a most prolific writer of Jewish popular songs and prayer melodies that are sung in congregations throughout the world. He has composed more than 20 cassettes and tapes of music dedicated to Yiddish, Hebrew, Chassidic and Cantorial themes. A hallmark of his desire for all people to love music is the creation of a children's choir in those cities in which he has appeared. In the 1970's and 80's, he founded "The Brothers Zim" which quickly became America's foremost Jewish singing group.

Both he and his wife June take their role as community leaders most seriously. Through their efforts, they have brought direction and compassion to many viable undertakings. June has served as the synagogues' Vice-President of Sisterhood, Vice-President of Jewish Family Living for the Queens Region of National Women's League, and Co-Chair of